

[OMB Control No. 2900-0721]

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review: Examination for Housebound Status or Permanent Need for Regular Aid and Attendance

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0721.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Authority</u>: 38 U.S.C. 1114, 1521(d) and (e), 1115(1)(E), 1311(d), 1541(d) and (e), 38 C.F.R. 3.351, 3.351(d), 3.351 (d)(2), 3.351(c)(2), 4.16, and 3.326(a).

<u>Title</u>: Examination for Housebound Status or Permanent Need for Regular Aid and Attendance (VA Form 21-2680).

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Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

information, entitlement to these benefits cannot be determined.

Abstract: VA Form 21-2680 is used to determine eligibility for the aid and attendance and/or housebound benefit. This form is maintained in the Veteran's claims folder. The purpose of this examination is to record manifestations and findings pertinent to the question of whether the claimant is housebound (confined to the home or immediate premises) or in need of the regular aid and attendance of another person. Without this

No changes have been made to this form. The respondent burden has increased due to the estimated number of receivables averaged over the past year.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at XX FR XXX on XXXXX XX, 202X, pages XXXX and XXXX.

Affected Public: Private Sector.

Estimated Annual Burden: 51,958 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 103,915.

By direction of the Secretary.

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